

JOB NOTICE

Leader for 2019 Summer Environmental Youth Crew

Job Description

The Rhode Island Natural History Survey (RINHS) seeks to hire a full-time seasonal Youth Crew Leader for the 2019 summer season, approximately July 2 to August 10, 2019. This position will lead a non-residential, paid crew of 6 high school youths and an assistant leader in a variety of conservation land stewardship tasks throughout Rhode Island. In coordination with land stewards from Audubon Society of Rhode Island, and The Nature Conservancy of Rhode Island, and with help of the Assistant Crew Leader, the Leader will supervise crew members in invasive plant control, trail-building, and other environmental restoration projects as well as mentoring crew members in team-building and job skills. This season is a continuation of successful RI youth corps programs since 2010.

Qualifications:

- Demonstrated youth group leadership experience in an outdoor setting;
- A degree and/or background in natural sciences/environmental education;
- Familiarity with the plant species and forest communities of New England;
- Relevant field experience, including familiarity with the conditions and requirements for safe, effective work in rugged outdoor conditions;
- Demonstrated ability to work systematically towards goals using independent initiative as well as by working collaboratively with partners and peers;
- Strong organizational skills, strong interpersonal skills, and strong problem-solving skills;
- Experience supervising field assistants, student interns, contractors or equivalent a plus;
- A valid driver's license with a clean driving record; Reliable transportation is needed.
- First aid or life-saving certifications a plus;

This is a fieldwork position. Substantial physical exertion and/or physical strain, sometimes in remote locations, difficult terrain, and inclement weather will be required. Work environment involves exposure to job hazards where there is a possibility of injury and/or arthropod-borne disease.

The position will be based in the Audubon Society office in Smithfield, RI, but will travel extensively throughout the state in the course of work. Mileage will be compensated. Pay is \$16-17/hr based on experience. This is a full-time temporary position (40 hrs/ week) for 7.5 weeks beginning late-June 2019. It is not eligible for fringe benefits.

This position is funded by a grant from the Rhode Island Conservation Stewardship Collaborative Endowment of the Rhode Island Foundation and other funders. This position reports to the Audubon Director of Conservation. ASRI is a private non-profit unaffiliated with the National Audubon Society. ASRI is an equal opportunity employer, women & minorities are encouraged to apply.

Review of applications will **continue until the position is filled**. To apply, email a cover letter, resume, and the names and contact information, including email and phone number, of three persons whom Audubon may contact regarding your experience and qualifications to sruhren@asri.org